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A. Alto Douro, good quality, Green Capsule.....	10	1.00
B. Vintage, Superior quality, Red Capsule.....	12	1.10
C. Fine Old Vintage, superior quality, Black Seal Capsule.....	14	1.25
D. Very Fine Old Vintage, extra superior, Violet Capsule (Old Bottled).....	18	1.50

	Per Case	Per Bot.
SHERRIES.		
A. Delicate Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Capsule.....	6	0.60
B. Superior Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Seal Capsule.....	7.50	0.75
C. Manzanilla, Pale Natural Sherry, White Capsule.....	10	1.00
CC. Superior Old Dry, Pale Natural Sherry, Red Seal Capsule.....	10	1.00
D. Very Superior Old Pale Dry, choice old wine, White Seal Capsule.....	10	1.00
E. Extra Superior Old Pale Dry, very finest quality, Black Seal Capsule (Old Bottled).....	14	1.50

	Per Case	Per Bot.
CLARETS.		
A. Superior Breakfast Claret, Red Capsule.....	4	0.40
B. St. Estephe, Red Capsule.....	4.50	0.45
C. St. Julien.....	7	0.70
D. La Rose.....	11	1.10

	Per Case	Per Bot.
BRANDY.		
A. Hennessy's Old Pale, Red Capsule.....	12	1.10
B. Superior Very Old Cognac, Red Capsule.....	14	1.25
C. Very Old Liqueur Cognac, Red Capsule.....	18	1.50
D. Hennessy's Finest Very Old Liqueur Cognac, 1873 Vin- tage, Red Capsule.....	24	2.00

	Per Case	Per Bot.
SCOTCH WHISKY.		
A. Thorne's Blend, White Cap- sule.....	8	0.75
B. Watson's Glenorchy Mellow Blend, Blue Capsule with Name and Trade Mark.....	8	0.75
C. Watson's Aberlour-Glenlivet, Red Capsule, with Name and Trade Mark.....	8	0.75
D. Watson's H. K. D. Blend of the Finest Scotch Malt Whiskies, Violet Capsule.....	10	1.00
E. Watson's Very Old Liqueur Scotch Whisky, Gold Capsule.....	12	1.10

	Per Case	Per Bot.
IRISH WHISKY.		
A. John Jameson's Old, Green Capsule.....	8	0.75
B. John Jameson's Fine Old, Green Capsule.....	10	1.00
C. John Jameson's Very Fine Old, Green Capsule.....	12	1.10
GENUINE BOURBON WHISKY, finest, Red Capsule, with Name.....	10	1.00

	Per Case	Per Bot.
GIN.		
A. Fine Old Tonic, White Capsule.....	4.50	0.40
B. Fine Unsweetened, White Capsule.....	4.50	0.40
C. Fine A. V. H. Geneva.....	4.25	0.30

	Per Case	Per Bot.
RUM.		
Finest Old Jamaica, Violet Capsule.....	12	1.00
Good Lecward Island, \$1.50 per Gallon.		

	Per Case	Per Bot.
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REMINDED THAT ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS
MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, MAY 11, 1891.

As a transcendent exhibition of blatant
toadyism, cant, and undiluted twaddle we
commend our readers to a study of the
"Praise-God Barebones" proceedings at
the meeting of the Mercantile Marine
Officers' Association of Friday last. The
meeting was apparently called by Captain
SAMUEL ASHTON and his associates to render
thanks to the Almighty, coupled with Sir
WILLIAM DES VŒUX (we quote from the
Chairman's speech), for the passing of the
Sunday Working Cargo Ordinance. The worthy
Chairman commenced by informing his
audience that "He felt bound to confess that
the passage of the Bill was somewhat of a
surprise to him." We can support him in
this at all events, for we happen to
know that until this journal undertook its
advocacy, Captain ASHTON, in despair of
getting the measure passed within any
appreciable period, had frankly admitted
that he had actually given the reform up as
a hopeless job. We claim no particular
credit for the line of action this journal has
taken from the beginning, for it was a
matter of justice as well as duty to
support a measure for the benefit, mark!
not only of the "deserving class,"—the
phrase was ours, not Governor DES VŒUX's
—but for the moral, social and sanitary
benefit of the community at large. The part
played by Mr. J. J. KESWICK in this matter,
as claimed by Captain ASHTON, may or
may not be correct, and we only ask here if
it is not capable of a contrary construction.
But we do say and most emphatically that,
if there is one thing more certain than
another (and the last acts of Sir
WILLIAM DES VŒUX confirm our view to the
letter), it is that the hurried passage of
this Bill was really not due to any
revelation of opinion in his Excellency's
mind as to the advisability of the measure,
but rather to a baser and more unworthy
influence, namely, that of chagrin, if not
of vindictiveness towards an influential
section of this community. We are sorry
to have to admit this, for no one received
fairer treatment at our hands than Governor
DES VŒUX; but we are honestly bound to
the opinion that his final official acts
conclusively showed him to be at his best
but a shallow and vindictive man, with a
littleless of mind and character
disqualifying him from administering the
Government of any important community.
We likewise confess to not being
surprised at Sir JAMES RUSSELL, in his
cut-and-dried enlogio on the departing
spirit, considering Sir WILLIAM DES
VŒUX a strong Governor, for, as we have
previously said, his Excellency was a
"good hater," and in this, if in nothing else,
the Chief Justice found a faithful coadjutor.
The Sunday labour question from the
outset found, comparatively speaking, an
overwhelming opposition both from official
and unofficial sources in this colony,
including the Governor of Hongkong, as
well as his Excellency of the Straits
Settlements—vide their consultations with
Lord KNUTSON—but we did not hesitate
to give it the unqualified support of this
journal, and we have assisted in, every
possible manner, and at no inconsiderable
sacrifice, in encouraging the movement
to be kept to the fore as well as
originating the principle of licensing so
as not to make the working on Sundays
altogether prohibitory in important
emergencies. Therefore it is with great
regret that we perceive an institution
possessing elements of influence and
benefit, degenerating almost at its start
into a "Praise-God Barebones" association
with a vengeance, and it certainly, as
the Chairman stated, is not going to hide
its light under a bushel, or for the matter
of that, its cant either, in this particular
respect. It is indeed lamentable to
witness this "deserving class," a term
implying intelligence and common-sense,
making such egregious lick-spittles of
themselves as they did at Friday's meeting.
Such displays, we can assure them, add
neither to the dignity or reputation of the
Association, and certainly will detract, if
persisted in, from its sphere of usefulness and
influence. Moreover, we have no hesitation
in characterizing such conduct as out of
keeping with what is generally understood
as the attribute of the term "British sailor,"
for if there is one characteristic the
British tar has reason to be proud
of more than another, it is that of manly,
straightforward independence, without
conspicuousness to lick official or unofficial
shoes, and it is because we don't wish to
see this proud reputation be-mirrored in
Hongkong mud that we have felt
constrained to write on this subject so

strongly. We have no hesitation in saying
"God bless Sir WILLIAM DES VŒUX," but
such an expression, twice repeated, was
in more than doubtful taste from the
Chairman of the Hongkong Marine
Officers' Association. And when Captain
ASHTON was thus ridiculously belauding
his Excellency, and the other members of
of the Association were loudly applauding
Pharisaical expressions which will only
amuse the initiated, we would like to know
why the name of the Rev. A. G. GOLDSMITH,
the sailors' friend, the man who actually
initiated the crusade against Sunday labour
in this colony, was entirely forgotten!

TELEGRAMS.

THE NEW ORLEANS LYNCHERS.
LONDON, May 8th.
The Grand Jury has refused to indict the
lynchers.

CAPTAIN VERNEY PLEADS GUILTY.
Captain Verney, M.P., pleaded guilty, and has
been sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment.

TEA SALES EXTRAORDINARY.
A parcel of Ceylon tea was sold for 510
shillings a pound.

(From L'Independence Tonkinoise.)

FRANCE.
PARIS, May 2nd.
The Labor processions held yesterday passed
off quietly at Paris. At Fourmies there were
collisions between the workmen and the police,
and many were killed and wounded.
In Belgium and Rome the agitation was
firmly repressed.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.M.S. Swift, Com. the Hon. R. Bingham, left
this morning for Amoy.

THERE will be a game of polo at Causeway,
Bay to-morrow, commencing at 5.15 p.m.

THE agents (Messrs. Dodwell, Carill & Co.)
inform us that the steamship *Empress of India*
left Vancouver for Japan, &c., on Saturday
morning, the 9th inst.

THE "tranquillity" of Tonquin may be deduced
from the fact that in one issue of the
Independence Tonkinoise, reports of plagues in
nine districts are published!

WE are requested to state that his Excellency
the Officer Administering the Government and
the Hon. the Secretary of the Government
reside at the Head-Quarter House, where the
visitors' book will be found.

LUM IN, the fireman of the steam launch *Mansa*,
died in the Tung Wah Hospital on Saturday
from the injuries he had received by the explosion
of the boiler. The deck-hand, who is still an
inmate of the hospital, is progressing.

THE steamer *Fushun*, Captain A. Cross, which
arrived here yesterday from Shanghai, reports
passing the steamer *Chafsa*, bound from Tel-
ran-fo to Tientsin, on Thursday, with her shaft
broken, off Pli-ki-shan.

A MONKY collector employed by the sheriff of
the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, is reported
to have absconded with \$800 this morning.
The police have been informed and are making
a search for the "wanted."

MAJOR-GENERAL BARKER, at present Adminis-
tering the Government of Hongkong, is reported
to have absconded with \$800 this morning.
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THE *Japan Herald* is responsible for the state-
ment that the Hon. the Secretary of the H.B.M.'s
ill-fated *Wash*, which was lost some three years
ago, has been recently picked up at sea and
taken to Hongkong. We have heard nothing of
it.

THE Band of the 1st Argyll and Sutherland High-
landers will play the following programme at
the Officers' Mess to-morrow, commencing at
8 p.m.:

Overture "Haydn".....Auber.
Valse "Deutsche Hosen".....Strauss.
Selection "Pirates Ida".....Bullman.
Air "Der Wildschütz".....Lortzing.
Selection "Les Cloches de Corneville".....Piafetta.

A DIMINUTIVE Chinaman, named Lau Achen,
who is a familiar figure about the Police Station,
was charged this morning before Mr. Wise.
The defendant said he had employed the defendant
to remove some ancestral bones at Shan-ki-mat,
the defendant's home, and that he had not been
forthcoming a fortnight after, he went to Shan-
ki-mat and inquired of the defendant what had
been done with the late lamented. The defend-
ant said he had placed him in Chinese
territory, but would regain him on payment of
\$4. The complainant promised to pay that sum
when he was in possession of the dust, and the
defendant, receiving thirty cents for boat hire,
departed. In the meantime the complainant
gave information to Inspector Corcoran, and on
the defendant's re-appearance he was arrested.
The magistrate scarcely thought the defendant
could be charged with extortion, and he was
accordingly discharged.

THE Hongkong Rifle Association competition
was held on Saturday last for the Short Range
Handicap Cup and Range Spoon; 15 members
competed. Bandmaster M. Hill, who shot for
the first time as a member of the Rifle Association,
won the Cup and 300 yards range spoon with a
score of 51 points. The four best scores are as
follows:

	100 yards.	200 yards.	300 yards.	Total score.
Bandmaster M. Hill.....	28	28	28	84
P. C. D. McClelland.....	27	27	27	81
P. C. A. Watson.....	27	27	27	81
P. S. W. Robinson.....	26	26	26	78

"THE MILITARY MUMMERS," who have been
under a cloud for some time past, have been
this morning given the opportunity of making
a dramatic club has been re-organized, and with
such old stages as Capt. Clayton (President),
Garrison Sergeant-Major Meredith (Vice-
President), Colonel Jarrard (Treasurer), and Staff
Sergeant Tennant (Stage Manager) at the helm,
it should enjoy a renewed lease of prosperity,
and provide lots of capital entertainment both
for the garrison and the community at large.
"The Mummies" will make their public
re-appearance at the Carlton Theatre on
Thursday and Saturday next, in *Palgrave*
Simpson's drama "Daddy Handkerchief" and
Charles Selby's well-known farce "Catching an
Heiress." Further particulars will shortly be
announced.

THE Agents (Messrs. Dodwell, Carill & Co.)
inform us that the steamship *Moray* left Singa-
pore for Hongkong this afternoon.

It is officially notified that Monday the 18th inst.
(Whit Monday) will be observed as a holiday in
the Government departments of the colony.

INTERESTING TO JURORS. In the trade mark case
*Brooke & al. versus the China Import, Export
and Banking Company*, in respect to a goat's
head, both parties, in Supreme Court assembled
this morning, agreed to leave the matter to the
decision of seven good men and true.

THERE are rumours of trouble brewing in
regard to the steamer *Tai-on*, lately put on the
opposition night service to Canton. Some ques-
tion as to the vessel's right to fly the British flag
is involved, and so far as we can learn there is
a possibility of the vessel having to be
re-christened the *Tai-up*.

SHANG PING, who was charged at the Police
Court last Friday with being concerned in
breaking from the chain-gang at Lap-sap-wan
on the 16th June, 1888, was committed for trial
by Mr. Wise at the Police Court this morning.
Half-a-dozen turnkeys gave evidence of identifica-
tion, and the prisoner reserved his defence.

THE *Fiftieth Ship* says that the wreck of the
Turkish frigate *Ergürlü*, has been raised.
The Grand Chamberlain wrote to the Wakayama
Kencho for an account of the way in which it
was done, and for photographs of the religious
service conducted at Oshima-mura at the begin-
ning of the month, for those who perished in the
ill-fated ship.

ANOTHER of our gallant "petticoated protectors"
was charged at the Magistrate's Court this morning
for being drunk and assaulting P. C. Holt, yesterday
evening. The constable said that Sandy was
very riotous, knocking over a ricksha and two
coolies and then dislocating the constable's
middle finger in throwing him to the ground.
Mr. Wise imposed a fine of \$5, with the alterna-
tive of fourteen days.

DISTURBANCES may be anticipated in the
Loohoo Islands, where two bodies of malcontents
exist. Some of these are *shishoku* who complain
that no Government subsidies were granted
them, and who are on the brink of starvation,
and starving men are difficult persons to argue
with. The others are *shishoku* of Kume-mura
who say they are Chinese and not Japanese
subjects, and object to being placed under
Japanese rule.

THE EMPEROR WILLIAM paid a visit on April
1st to the Victoria Shipbuilding Yard at Seattle,
where the battleship *Albatross* is being con-
structed for the Hamburg-American Company.
The Chairman of the Company, Mr. W. Nissen,
of the firm of Messrs. Siemens and Co.,
conducted the Emperor through the palace-like
rooms of the beautiful steamer, and the
distinguished visitor is said to have been highly
astonished to find such excellent accommodation.

COMPETITION in the life of business—though it
sometimes kills the passengers. Two opposition
boats, the *Danish Kanyu-Maru* and the
Ingawa-Maru, raced through the Inland Sea
on the 28th ult., and the former was being over-
hauled when suddenly a steam-pipe burst, killing
three firemen outright and wounding two others,
as well as twelve passengers. The *Ingawa-Maru*
went to her assistance and took off her pas-
sengers, the disabled steamer afterwards being
towed into Mitajiri.

INSPECTOR QUINCY, supported by two stal-
wart Scottish members of the Police force,
made a clever capture on Saturday, after a des-
perate struggle, of an alleged murderer and
braggart who, as chief of a gang, has been long
wanted to answer for his misdeeds in Tung-kun
district, and who it is alleged made this colony
the base of his nefarious operations. The
detectives, who received several bites on the
hands and wrists whilst effecting the arrest,
securely conveyed their captive to the Central
Station. He was remanded for a week by Mr.
Wise at the Police Court to-day.

RAILWAY enterprise in Siam survives cholera
and commercial depression, apparently. A
railway from Bangkok to Paknam is projected,
the capital of \$16,000 being already sub-
scribed. It is expected that the rice-raising
and fishing centres will be thus brought within
easy reach of the London of Siam. In other
words the hoot of civilization is making itself
apparent in the Land of the White Elephant.
A hundred German telephones were received
recently, the electric light is being installed, and
surveys of the country is being energetically
pushed on, and they've got a Lord Mayor.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial
Hospital begs to acknowledge with thanks the
following donations to the funds of the Hospital:

Jan. J. Francis, Esq., Q.C.....	\$50
A. J. David, Esq.....	25
S. Burt, Esq.....	10
Hon. N. G. Mitchell-Innes.....	10
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H. Hong Hai, Esq.....	5
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Mok Man Cheung, Esq.....	2
Leung Tsan, Esq.....	1

A CURIOUS charge was made by Tsang Hai,
a silver-smith, against Lok Kwei at the Police
Court this morning, before Mr. Wise. The
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to remove some ancestral bones at Shan-ki-mat,
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the defendant's re-appearance he was arrested.
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could be charged with extortion, and he was
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THE London and China Express of the 10th
ult., in dealing with the prospectus of the
National Bank of China, Limited, says:—"The
Bank has been formed at the instance of the
leading native Chinese merchants of Hongkong,
and the principal Treaty Ports of China, to meet
the demands of the Chinese mercantile commu-
nities of these places for an institution of their
own which will afford them the needed facilities
for conducting their business by modern methods.
It will not in any way be inimical to existing
foreign undertakings, as it will principally work
through native channels of trade. Telegrams
have been received announcing that the issue of
\$300,000 has been largely over-subscribed for
in China, and that of the allotments made in Hong-
kong 50 per cent. have been made to Chinese.
The founders' shares are reported at \$1,000 each.
It is intended that the premium of 100 per
cent. on shares at which the ordinary shares are issued
shall form the nucleus of the reserve fund, after
paying the incidental preliminary expenses."

THIS returns of the number of visitors to the City
Hall Museum for the week ending May 10th, are:—
Europeans 235, Chinese 1,736; total 1,971.

WE shall have to look into the records of our
local lawyers if this sort of thing keeps on. A
Japanese native paper says that a *Hokkaido*
(Bachelor of Law) named Murayama was wanted
some ten years ago by the police on account of
some very shady transactions. His accomplice
Ohara was arrested and punished, but Murayama
escaped. Recently the late legal adviser to the
Hawaiian Government, named K. Katsura, died,
and on inquiries being made as to his antecedents
it was found that he was the identical Murayama,
the Japanese criminal of ten years ago. He is
now buried at Tokyo.

WHAT'S this? the clergy going back on V.ctoria,
by the grace of God, etc., etc. At a public
lunch held at Tavistock, Devon, the other day,
in connection with the thirtieth annual assembly
of the Devonshire Congregational Union, the
Rev. M. P. Davies, pastor of the Tavistock Con-
gregational Church, who presided, intimated that
he could not conscientiously propose the toast
of "The Queen," and he called on the Rev. G.
B. Johnson to do so, and added that he might
also propose the health of the Prince of Wales
and all card-players and gamblers. The Rev. G.
B. Johnson then proposed the toast of "The
Queen," paying tribute to Her Majesty's virtues
as a constitutional sovereign. A verse of the
National Anthem was sung, Mr. and Mrs. Davies
remaining seated. "Be Gracious" had better
design after this, to avoid the customary unpleas-
ant month's notice.

The Union Jack had better be hauled down
from where it proudly flutters over various parts
of this colony, and the Yellow Dragon run up.
We gave an instance of the Chinese Customs
officials' despotism last week, but if what we
hear to-day is true our own shores are no longer
sacred. A Hindu on board the *Kangaswari*
to-day was found to be in possession of some
\$50 or \$100 worth of silk on which he had not
paid export duty at Canton. It was therefore seized
by the Customs officer, who intended no doubt
to take it on board the cruiser usually stationed
in Castle Peak Bay. The vessel was away,
however, and he came on to Hongkong. And
on arriving at the wharf here, in British juris-
diction, he transferred the stuff to the *Fatsan*,
despite the protests of the owner that he had no
jurisdiction. An application to the Police for
protection was, for some extraordinary reason,
refused!

A MEETING to protest against the opium traffic
in India and China was held at London on
April 4th in the Friends' Meeting House, Hollo-
way. The chair was occupied by Mr. George
Gillett, who delivered an address against the
opium traffic. After some additional remarks
by Mr. Maurice Gregory, Mr. John Collins
moved the following resolution:—"That this
meeting in view of the great harm done to the
people of India, China, and Borneo by the
traffic in opium, protest against the apathy of
the English Government in not speedily sup-
pressing the trade, and thereby removing the
cause of much distress in India, China, and
Borneo." Mr. Benjamin Broomhall, secretary
of the China Inland Mission, seconded the
resolution, which was unanimously carried. At
the close of the meeting a petition was nume-
rously signed, which it was intended to present
to the House of Commons, in view of Sir Joseph
Pence's motion, which, we have heard, was
by wire, was abandoned by that back-boned
reformer after having been actually carried
by a substantial majority.

WE note the arrival from Bombay by the
English mail steamer *Ravenna* of Mrs. James
Brown Potter, the famous American actress, and
Mr. Kyrie Bellow, probably the best *jeu
d'acteur* on the English stage. Mrs. Potter has
made arrangements in Bombay to bring a high-
class comedy company for a short tour through
the Far East, but at the eleventh hour unforeseen
difficulties arose, and that oft-quoted saying of
Robbie Burns' about "the best laid schemes
o' mice and men" was disappointingly realised.
However, the accomplished artist, whose united
perseverance and natural talents have won for
her in a few short years a position as a dramatic
star of the first magnitude that usually occupies
the life-time to attain, had made up her mind
to see China and Japan, and so she came on to
Hongkong. We believe that no definite arrange-
ments have yet been made as to the form of
entertainment in which our distinguished visitors
will make their debut before a Hongkong
audience, but their energetic manager, Mr. T.
V. Twining, has been carefully "preparing" and
doubtless full particulars will be shortly
announced. If an efficient orchestra were avail-
able, and no doubt there is more than sufficient
musical ability in the colony if our critical
instrumentalists can only be induced to leave
the hot weather for the love of art—the five
great scenes from "Romeo and Juliet," with
orchestral accompaniment, would form a pro-
gramme to attract an audience from the coolest
retreats of the Peak. Mr. Kyrie Bellow has the
reputation of being the greatest living repre-
sentative of the romantic *Romero*, and if the opinions
of the critics go for anything, Mrs. Potter's
Juliet is a historic revelation. Of course
this is believing that there is not the least
doubt that we have two great *ex-acteurs* in
midst, and Hongkong play-goers are not likely
to forget it.

A PARIS correspondent writes:—"General Tchong
Ki-Tong has not yet been able to take his
departure for China; his presence being required
to throw light upon an extraordinary misad-
venture, standing seems to have arisen between
a syndicate of French bankers and the native
Chinese promoters of a loan to finance a new
Chinese loan. The negotiations which have
passed between the various persons interested
in this matter are now assuming a hostile and
even litigious aspect. On the part of the bankers
it is contended that they have been illegally
deprived of 150,000 fr. paid as commission to
the promoter of a loan, which was not sub-
sequently issued, of which the Chinese Govern-
ment has so far repudiated all knowledge. There
is some talk of carrying the affair before the
courts, but on the other hand, a strong effort is
being made in official quarters to bring about an
amicable compromise. The *Times*, correspond-
ent, referring to the matter, says:—"The
General's position in this matter having been
seriously misunderstood or misrepresented in
some quarters, it is well to quote the telegram
addressed to him by his Government from
Tientsin on Oct. 28th last, and immediately
communicated by him to Mr. Ribot:—"You
alone are competent to be entrusted with the
loan contemplated by the Government. Put
a stop to all doubts on this subject."—
Lung Chang." Another Paris correspondent
now says:—"A telegram received here from
Tientsin announces that General Tchong Ki-
Tong's proposal to issue a Chinese loan in
Europe has been rejected by the Chinese Govern-
ment, which has no intention of contracting any
debt of the kind. A paper remarks this morning
that 'a huge swindle in the shape of a
Chinese loan was being organised, and certain
Chinese functionaries in Europe were supposed to
be the ringleaders. All efforts to conceal the matter
will eventually prove abortive, for the simple
reason that the unscrupulous publicists who are
hushing it up are themselves implicated in the
diabolical side of the business.'"

THE lot of the French soldier, like that of
Robert "when constabulary duty is to be done,"
is not happy. A train port brought
a number out to Saigon the other day. At
Colombo four jumped overboard, in the hope of
drowning, and at Saigon two others leaved into
the river in a fit of despair, and were drowned.

ANOTHER snatcher

Mails.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN,
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GIBRALTAR, MARSEILLES, BRIN-
DISI, TRIESTE, VENICE,
PLYMOUTH AND
LONDON;
ALSO
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA AND
AUSTRALIA.

A.R.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH
BILLS OF LADING FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN
GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES, TRIESTE, HAM-
BURG, NEW YORK AND BOSTON.

SPECIE ONLY LANDED AT PLYMOUTH.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
"BOKHARA," Captain H. J. Welch, with
Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from
this for LONDON, via BOMBAY and SUEZ
CANAL on THURSDAY, the 14th May, at
Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M.,
Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until
4 P.M., on the day before sailing.

Silk and Valuables for Europe will be
transhipped at Colombo; General Cargo for
London will be conveyed via Bombay without
transhipment, arriving one week later than by
the ordinary direct route via Colombo.

For further particulars regarding FREIGHT and
PASSENGER APPLICATION TO THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hong-
kong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are re-
quired to be declared prior to shipment.
Shippers are particularly requested to note
the terms and conditions of the Company's
Bills of Lading.

This Steamship takes Cargo and Passengers for
Marseilles.

E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hankow, 2nd May, 1891.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVER-
LAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN
FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO"
will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via
YOKOHAMA on TUESDAY, the 19th May,
at 1 P.M., taking Passengers and Freight for
Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading are for trans-
portation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports,
to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities
of the United States, to Europe, to ports in
Mexico, Central and South America, by the
Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England,
France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines
of Steamers.

First-class Fares granted as follows:—

To San Francisco.....\$25.00

To San Francisco and return.....39.75

available for 6 months.....35.00

To Liverpool.....32.00

To London.....32.00

To other European Ports at proportionate
rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers
of the Army, Navy, Civil Service, and the
Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on
application.

Passengers by this line have the option of
proceeding Overland by the Southern Pacific
and Connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern
Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embark-
ing at San Francisco for China or Japan (or
vice versa) within one year will be allowed a
discount of 10 per cent. from Return Fare.
This allowance does not apply to through
fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M.
the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will
be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day;
all Parcel Packages should be marked to ad-
dress in full; value of same in registry Cargo de-
clared to Points beyond San Francisco, in the
United States, should be sent to the Company's
Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and
Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company,
No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Acting Agent.

Hankow, 26th April, 1891.

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAM
SHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO
JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES,
MEXICO,
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND
EUROPE;

VIA
THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
AND
ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING
STEAMERS.

THE Steamship

"GAELIC"

will be despatched for San Francisco, via
Yokohama, on SATURDAY, the 30th May, at
1 P.M.

Connection will be made at Yokohama with
Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to
address in full, and same will be received at
this Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day
previous to sailing.

First-class Fares granted as follows:—

To San Francisco.....\$25.00

To San Francisco and return.....39.75

available for 6 months.....35.00

To Liverpool.....32.00

To London.....32.00

To other European Ports at proportionate
rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers
of the Army, Navy, Civil Service, and the
Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on
application.

Passengers by this line have the option of
proceeding Overland by the Southern Pacific
and Connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern
Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embark-
ing at San Francisco for China or Japan (or
vice versa) within one year will be allowed a
discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does
not apply to through fares from China and
Japan to Europe.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo de-
clared to Points beyond San Francisco, in the
United States, should be sent to the Company's
Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs,
San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and
Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company,
No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Acting Agent.

Hankow, 7th May, 1891.

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY
COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM
HONGKONG, 1891.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Empress of Japan | Tuesday... | June 2nd.

Empress of India | Tuesday... | June 30th.

Empress of China | Tuesday... | July 28th.

THE Steamship

"EMPEROR OF JAPAN,"

Captain G. A. Lee, R.N.R., sailing at Noon,
on TUESDAY, the 2nd June, with Her
Majesty's Mails, will proceed to VANCOUVER,
old SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, Island Sea,
KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

FROM HONGKONG, FIRST CLASS.

To Vancouver, Victoria, Esquimaux,
New Westminster, Port Townsend,
Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, O., San
Francisco.....\$225.00

To Banff, Calgary.....\$225.00

To Winnipeg, St. Paul, Duluth.....\$275.00

To Minneapolis, St. Louis.....\$295.00

To Chicago, Kansas City, St. Louis,
Milwaukee.....\$305.00

To Detroit, Cincinnati, Cleveland,
Columbus, Hamilton, London (Ont.),
Toronto, Niagara Falls.....\$305.00

To Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal,
Quebec, New York, Albany, Troy,
Rochester, Baltimore, Philadelphia,
Pittsburg, Washington, Boston,
Portland (Maine), Halifax, St. John.
.....\$310.00

To Liverpool and London.....\$325.00

To Paris and Bremen.....\$345.00

To Havre and Hamburg.....\$355.00

Through Passage Tickets granted to England,
France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines
of Steamers.

Special rates (first-class only) are granted to
Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military,
Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European
officials in service of China and Japan, and to
Government officials.

Return Tickets.—First and second class only.
—Prepaid return tickets to Pacific Coast Ports,
and to Eastern and Interior Ports of Canada
and U.S.A. will be granted, available for—
12 months at 25 per cent. off Return Fare.

40 per cent.

(Time is reckoned from the date of issue to
date of re-embarkation at Vancouver.)

Passengers to Eastern Coast Ports and to In-
terior and Eastern Ports of Canada and U.S.A.
not holding prepaid return tickets, but who re-
embark at Vancouver within 12 months from
date of issue of original ticket, will be allowed
10 per cent. off the return fare.

Prepaid return tickets to Liverpool and
London will be issued available for 12 months
at \$50.00 for 4 months \$57.50.

CARGO.—Through Bills of Lading issued to
Japan, Pacific Coast Ports, and to Canadian
and United States Ports.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States
Ports should be in quadruplicate; and one
copy must be sent forward by the steamer to
the care of D. E. BROWN, Assistant General
Freight and Passenger Agent, Canadian Pacific
Railway Company, Vancouver, B. C.

Parcels must be sent to our Office with
address marked in full by 5 P.M. on the day
previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or
Freight, apply to

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hankow, 5th May, 1891.

Hotels.

THE MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

A SELECT FAMILY AND RESIDENTIAL

HOTEL, situated 1,400 feet above the

sea level, commanding on the one side a mag-
nificent view of the Harbour with the Mainland in
the distance, and on the other of hills and moun-
tains, with the sea beyond dotted with islands as
far as the eye can reach, surrounded by extensive
promenades and pleasure grounds, including
three good Tennis Courts. The Mount Pro-
menade alone is nearly an acre in extent, and
the Flagstaff in its centre can be seen from a
great distance in every direction.

The Hotel is replete with every accommo-
dation for Families and Gentlemen.

The Manager, Mr. ROBERT ISHERWOOD,
will be assisted by an Efficient Lady Staff, and
the Hotel will be conducted upon the best En-
glish system. The accommodation comprises a
spacious Dining Hall, Private Dining Rooms,
Drawing, Reading, Smoking, Grill, Billiard, and
Private Sitting Rooms, with Fifty-four Bedrooms
each provided with separate Bath-room and
every convenience.

Tramway Tickets will be supplied to Visitors
at Reduced Rates.

The Hotel will Open on or about the QUEEN'S
BIRTHDAY.

For terms apply to the Secretary at the
Company's Office, 38 and 40, Queen's Road
Central, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 30th April, 1891.

THE SHAMEN HOTEL

BRITISH CONCESSION, CANTON.

THIS FIRST CLASS HOTEL, admirably

situated within a few minutes walk of the
River Steamer Wharves, is now open to receive
Visitors.

The Bed-rooms are cool, airy and commodi-
ously furnished, and the spacious Dining Room,
Drawing Room, and accommodation generally, will
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The Table d'Hôte is supplied with every
luxury in season, and the cuisine is in ex-
ceptional hands.

Wines, Spirits, Malt Liquors, etc., of the best
quality only.

A. F. DO ROZARIO,
Manager.

Hongkong, 4th November, 1890.

THE BOA VISTA

BISHOPS BAY, MACAO.

THIS House, situated on the sea shore, is one

of the best and healthiest parts of Macao,
and commanding an admirable view facing the
South, was OPENED as a HOTEL on the
1st July.

Every comfort will be provided for visitors, with
excellent cuisine and choice Wines.

Hot, Cold, Shower and Sea Water Baths,
Large and well Ventilated Dining, Billiard,
and Reading Rooms, and well supplied Bar.

A small dairy is attached to the Hotel.

Mrs. MARIA B. DO RIBEIRO,
Proprietress.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1891.

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ST. JOHN LODGE

OF HONGKONG,
No. 618, S.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above

LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS'
HALL, Zealand Street, on MORROW, the 12th
instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting
Brethren are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 6th May, 1891.

VICTORIA PRECEPTORY.

A REGULAR MEETING of the Victoria

Preceptory will be held on FRIDAY,
the 15th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely.
Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 8th May, 1891.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF

HONGKONG,
No. 1165, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above

LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS'
HALL, Zealand Street, on SATURDAY, the
16th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely.
HONGKONG, 9th May, 1891.

To be Let.

TO BE LET SHORTLY.

An exceedingly comfortable and cool 6

ROOMED HOUSE.

Apply to

THE SECRETARY,
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TO BE LET OR SOLD,

On favourable terms, with immediate

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EIGHT HOUSES at "Mountain View,"

Peak District, near Plunkett's Gap.

If sold, part of the Purchase money can remain

on Mortgage.

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38 & 40, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong, 10th April, 1891.

TO LET AT THE PEAK,

Possession 1st May, 1891.

THE HOUSE "CREGGAN," Best position.

Apply to

M. S. SASSOON & Co.

Hongkong, 16th April, 1891.

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING

COMPANY, LIMITED.

TO LET,

KNUTSFORD TERRACE,
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HOUSES with 5 ROOMS, including Bath-
rooms, Tennis Courts. Good view and
healthy situation. Rent and Taxes \$32 a
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Apply to

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT

& AGENCY CO., Ltd.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1891.

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With Immediate Possession.

No. 17, PRAYA CENTRAL.

OFFICES—above Messrs. Douglas, Laprak
& Co.'s Premises.

Apply to

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT

& AGENCY CO., Ltd.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1890.

TO LET.

TOGETHER or subdivided from 1st June

next, HOUSE No. 5, Chanoyee Lane with
10 Rooms and Bath Rooms. Two separate
entrances.

Apply to

J. M. V. DE FIGUEIREDO,

No. 5, Caine Road.

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1891.

TO LET.

NOS. 9, 11, & 13, SEYMOUR TERRACE.

HOUSE in Pokfulam Road, "Nallah Side."

ROOMS in College Chambers

No. 4 OLD BAILEY STREET.

OFFICES and CHAMBERS in Connaught

Hong, Queen's Road Central.

OFFICES in Victoria Buildings.

No. 3, PEDDER'S HILL.

Apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1891.

TO LET.

NOS. 25 & 27, ELGIN STREET, behind

the Old Union Church.

Apply to

ACHEE & Co.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1891.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA

DOCK COMPANY,
LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS

are respectfully informed that, if upon

their arrival in this Harbour, any of the

COMPANY'S FOREIGNERS should be at hand,

ORDERS FOR REPAIRS, if sent to the Head

Office, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive
prompt attention.

In the event of complaints being found

necessary, communication with the Undersigned
is requested, when immediate steps will be taken
to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 23rd August, 1890.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

HONGKONG DERBY, 1891.

THE WEIGHTS for the above RACE will

be 12 lbs. weight for filling, not 10 lbs. as
heretofore.

J. H. GOREBOOTH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1891.

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DUNDEE DISTILLERS, GLASGOW.
Established 1770.

SCOTCH WHISKIES.

Finest Pure Malt Scotch Whisky.

O.H.M. Old Highland Malt Whisky.

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MESSRS. HARVEY & Co.'s Pure Malt

Whiskies have for over fifty years com-
manded the largest sale in the English Market
OF ANY WHISKY made in Scotland, and
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